

Conversion to NHs in NER

3143. SHRI DWIJENDRA NATH SHARMAH: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of State Highways declared as National Highways in the North Eastern (NER) during the last three years; and
- (b) the details of progress made so far in such stretches of these National Highways?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) Details of the National Highways declared during the last 3 years in the North Eastern Region are given as under:

SI. No.	National Highway No.	Description of National Highways	Date of declaration
1.	NH-155	The highway starting from the junction of 25th February, NH-61 near Mokokchung in the State of Nagaland connecting Tuensang-Sampurre-Meluri and passing through the State of Manipur and terminating at its junction with NH-150 near Jessami in the State of Nagaland.	2004
2.	Extension of NHNo. 44	. The highway starting from its junction with 25th February, NH-40 near Shillong and terminating at Nongstoin in the State of Meghalaya.	2004

(b) Development and maintenance of national Highways is a continuous process depending upon availability of funds and inter-se-priority. During the year 2005-07 work of Rs. 6.18 crore has been sanctioned for improvement of NH-44E. However, the National Highways are maintained in traffic worthy condition within available resources.

Modernisation of Shipyards

3144. SHRI RAVULA CHANDRA SEKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal for Maritime Board for modernisation of shipyards;